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PROPAGATION: Jul 25, Below Normal; Jul 26, Low Normal; Jul 27, High Normal; Jul 28, Low Normal; Jul 29, 30, High Normal; Aug 1, Low Normal; Aug 2, Low/Below Normal; Aug 3, Below Normal; Aug 4, 5, High Normal. TNX N4XX.

Flux (80)	Flux (81)	Flux (82)	Flux (83)	Flux (84)	Date	Flux ----1985----	A	K
172	164	234	122	94	7/12	90	27	3
191	171	250	121	92	7/13	83	11	3
203	178	262	120	90	7/14	74	15	3
211	187	265	120	91	7/15	71	10	2
230	195	271	121	89	7/16	70	5	2
249	200	265	117	87	7/17	70	24	3
245	204	246	116	85	7/18	70	12	4

• A number of up-coming operations have been announced in the past week, including:

OH8MA/8Q7 Maldives Aug 2-12, probably SSB only.

An Ohio group is working on a trip to the Galapagos, HC8 later this summer or early fall.

W3ESU and K8CFU will operate 160 only from St. Pierre FP8 Sept. 11-15, with a high-power set-up.

WB6GFJ continues from FO0FB Tahiti until Jul 30, then moves first to ZK1, then ZL and VK.

PJ8UQ and PJ8YL open from St. Maarten Sep 1, with additional stops at French St. Martin and Anguilla possible.

DJ2BW/CT3 will activate Madeira Sep 1-15.

More info in the Calendar, page 4.

• Insiders say DXCC status for the Pribilof Islands now seems likely, following the DX Advisory Committee's 9-7 vote to recommend it to the ARRL Awards Committee. The effective date for submission of QSLs would probably be around the next Honor Roll time, in March 1986. On July 17 the Associated Press reported that resident Aleut Indians on St. George and St. Paul Islands began their annual seal hunt for food under an emergency subsistence order.

The "harvest" will last until Aug 5. The U.S. Senate is considering regulations which would allow them to hunt the seals for furs, too. Until this year, seal "harvesting" has been regulated by a treaty between the U.S., Japan, Canada, and the Soviet Union; the treaty bans open-sea hunting but requires a harvest of 22,000 seals on the Pribilofs, guaranteeing Japan and Canada 30 percent of the pelts. As you know, for years various animal rights groups have protested the method of killing the seals, which is to beat them over the head with a club.

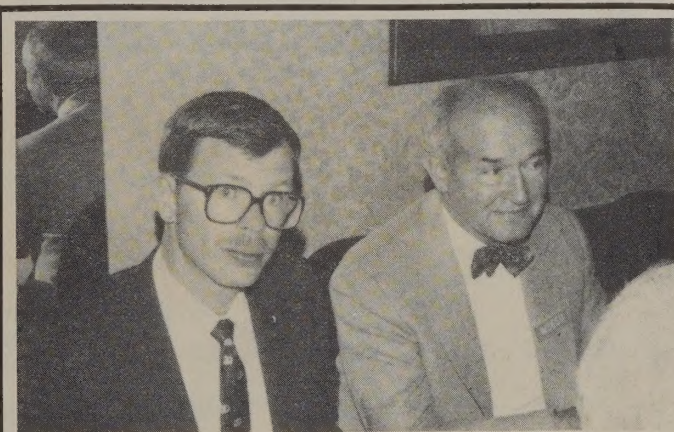
• Jack Anderson's newsletter says that PDR Yemen (S. Yemen) is "trying to wriggle out from under the Soviet Union's economic thumb by encouraging contacts (and contracts) with Western businessmen. The British already have reciprocated by upping their representation in Aden to the ambassadorial level." But Anderson reports that CIA estimates of S. Yemeni imports and exports put it in the Third World category, at best, compared to other potential customers in the region. He also says "Aden's regime is rife with behing-the-scenes power struggles, any one of which could bring back the old chill."

• Rumors of any Albania operation are probably false...again. A letter just received from Martti Laine, OH2BH, made no mention of him visiting or attempting to operate from there. But it's always possible that this is his way of discouraging pirates from coming on.

• Westlink Report says the RSGB is about to publish a directory called "Amateur Radio Software." It will cover computers and their relationship to satellites, CW, RTTY, data, packet radio, antenna design, QTH locators, and more. We will have details on price and ordering later.

• ARRL has responded to FCC's proposal to allow U.S.-licensed amateurs in the "Caribbean Insular Areas" to operate phone in the 7075-7100 segment. It should be noted that KL7 and KH6 amateurs already have that privilege, due to their proximity to IARU Region 3. ARRL commented that although Caribbean amateurs' claim that they are adversely affected by AM broadcast stations above 7100 is true, it is also true for virtually all amateurs in North America.

However, the League noted that the number of amateurs in the Caribbean who would be affected is small, and that under current frequency allocations those amateurs are often precluded from participating in emergency net operations involving other Caribbean stations.



BOB WALSH, WA8MOA (LEFT), 160-METER OPERATOR AT HZ1AB, AND JOHN FREY, W3ESU. (Photo by K8GG at 1985 Dayton Hamvention).

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LETTERS CONCERNING "WHO'S WORKED THEM ALL?"

• "I was reading your item about which DXer has worked "them all." Don Wallace readily admitted not working Diu and that others had worked it. Inevitably, there will be no one who has worked them all. DXers are transient, DXCC countries are likewise, but the country list goes on forever...with additions and deletions, that is.

"However, I have my doubts if anyone can really ever claim that he worked all the possible DXCC countries. How about Wrangell Island? My recollection is that the DXCC Desk put it on the Countries List back in the 50s, left it there for a couple of years and then deleted it, noting that it had been reviewed and did not meet the criteria. Also, inasmuch as no one had ever worked it, it made no difference in the DXCC standings.

"Perhaps the solution would be that once a country is on the DXCC list it would count forever. Or, if deleted, it should be deleted entirely. But then again, as has been sometimes mentioned, the DXCC Countries List is a state of mind."

--Name withheld by request.

• Jan Perkins, author of the recent CQ magazine article about W6ODD's operations in the late 1940s, offers a few clarifications to the article:

W1FH did not himself claim to have worked them all. N6AW saw W1FH's QSLs and that, along with the DXCC Desk's acceptance of his cards up to 1966, led N6AW to the conclusion that W1FH had worked them all.

N6AW has the paperwork which W6AM was preparing to submit to the Guinness Book of Records; the application was for being on top of the Honor Roll with the most countries confirmed for more years than anyone else.

W1GKK reached "them all" by submitting, in 1980, a QSL from VU7AH/CR8, Diu. All previous Diu credits were for W6ODD/CR8 and W1GKK's VU7AH/CR8 QSL is apparently unique. W6ODD was not quoted as saying W1FH was his only New England QSO from Diu. N6AW made that statement after examining the W6ODD/CR8 log.

Finally, Jan, noting we were thinking of a certain W1 now living in the south who could very well have worked "them all," mentioned someone other than the DXer we were thinking of! That makes two people who could have "them all," and we think there must be more.

WE GET LETTERS

• (The first issue of The DX Bulletin was Aug 15, 1979, and WA4JTI wrote a piece for us. Here's a note from Dan):

"A lot has happened since I wrote that column in the inaugural issue of TDXB! I understand a copy of that issue with my byline now rivals the original edition of Robert Frost's "Collected Poms" in rarity!!!

"Again, thanks for the 10 complimentary copies of the first issue. I got \$500 apiece for them at Dayton this year. I told you I was as good as Steven King and John Updike and you just wouldn't believe me. 73,"

--Dan McLean, WA4JTI.

• "Here are my predictions for the Survey Top 20":

ZA, 70, XZ, 3Y, VU/A, XV, YA, XW, 4W, S2, 5A, A5, ZS2MI, VP8/SAND, S9, C9, SV/A, XF4, TY, KH5K.

-- HANS, DK1RV

QSL INFO

• NEEDED: A9XBA, ZL1BQD/A, FR7CY, 9X5MB (by NN50).

• NEEDED: C53FS (3/3/85); address for KF1V needed.

• CEOAA QSLs are still coming through, the method working best seeming to be registered mail with duplicate QSL, etc. Another method which has worked is a letter to the Radio Club, citing details of your earlier requests.

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 PY1BVY 1834 0435 8 MA
 PY1RO 1833 0329 8 MA

CN2AQ 3790 0512 7 MN
 CN2AQ 3798 0500 14 MA
 CT2AK 3789 0225 18 MA
 FKS8CR 3790 0815 7 MA
 GB4DX 3785 0200 14 NH
 OA4WN 3799 0740 7 MA
 TU4BR 3793 0140 14 NH
 TU4BR 3794 0137 14 MA
 UP2BZZ 3505 0125 14 MA
 VR6JR 3795 0700 7 MA
 YV6BXN 3788 0203 14 NH
 ZK1DD 3787 0705 7 MA
 ZK1DD 3790 0600 7 MA
 ZL7OY 3790 0630 7 MA
 (CHATHAM)

9M2AX 7006 1335 15 OR
 C30BAN 7004 0400 10 MA
 CE3IAF 7002 0032 16 FL
 FK8FG 7011 1320 12 OR
 FO0FB 7091 0945 14 CO
 H44IA 7006 1109 13 FL
 H44IA 7009 1122 12 CO
 H44IA 7010 1110 12 OR
 HH2VP 7024 0118 13 FL
 HL4XM 7017 1118 13 FL
 JD1/JH5EES 7002 1035 9 MN
 LU6UO/Z 7005 1040 11 MN
 (ANTARCTIC)

PT8CW 7005 1130 12 OR
 PZ1DV 7001 0930 14 CO
 PZ5OC 7008 0346 8 MN
 T31AT 7070 0520 7 MA
 T42VG 7002 0204 13 AL
 T77C 7004 0221 11 MA
 TI0RC 7002 0239 13 FL
 UA0CHI 7002 1350 10 OR
 UL7BZ 7014 0105 13 FL
 VK75A 7001 1320 9 OR
 VP2VCW 7006 0341 13 OR
 VP2VCW 7014 0101 13 FL
 VS6/K5KG 7008 1114 13 FL
 VS6/K5KG 7009 1230 13 CO
 YB0ARA 7004 1400 9 OR
 ZB2EO 7009 2309 17 MA
 ZS1H 7002 1430 12 OR
 ZS2MX 7075 0550 11 OR

4X6IF 21010 1730 13 MA
 4Z4NUT 21032 1810 13 MA
 EA8AOF 21006 1705 13 MA
 TU4BR 21336 1621 13 AL
 VP2VCW 21029 1945 13 CO
 WA1ZCE/SV8 21294 1959 13 NH

4U1VIC 14032 1132 9 AL
 4X6AG 14028 0257 11 MA
 4Z4IO 14108 0420 11 OR
 5B4GA 14020 2110 9 FL
 5N8ZHN 14062 1730 13 FL
 6Y5SG 14012 0152 15 FL
 8P6AE 14012 2125 11 FL
 9M8EN 14227 1600 10 OR
 9Y4M 14014 1158 17 GA
 A71AD 14190 1915 10 MA
 AH9AC 14193 1200 9 MD
 BY1SK 14032 0720 11 OR
 C21DX 14214 0510 9 OR
 C21RK 14203 1150 9 MD
 C21RK 14220 0700 16 MA
 C31LBL 14242 2350 13 AL
 CE0FF 14001 0145 12 MI
 CE0FFD 14001 0156 11 FL
 CE0FFD 14001 0110 12 OR
 CE0FFD 14001 0105 12 MA
 CN8EA 14239 0223 9 TX
 CP6EE 14015 0259 12 GA
 CT2AK 14013 2141 9 FL
 CT2GD 14191 0106 9 TX
 DX1N 14025 1248 8 MN
 (PHILIPPINES)

EA6/G6ZY 14025 0037 16 FL
 EA6VQ 14242 2108 13 OH
 EJ2B 14025 0133 11 GA
 FK0AT 14007 0445 7 CO
 FK8FF 14036 0455 14 MA
 FK8FF 14210 0525 5 MA
 FM5DD 14020 0031 12 FL
 FO0ASJ 14026 0155 11 FL
 FO0ASJ 14030 0251 12 GA
 FO0ASJ 14026 0245 11 MA
 FO0FB 14190 0257 13 AL
 FO8GW 14178 0230 13 CO
 FO8GW 14292 0140 14 MA
 FY7AN 14013 2122 9 FL
 GB0SWR/MM 14186 0445 5 MA
 GD0AVF 14044 1127 14 GA
 GD4PTY 14209 1007 16 MA
 H44IA 14215 0340 14 CO
 H44RM 14210 0645 16 MA
 HC1TQ 14039 2223 9 FL
 HI8RPD 14051 2300 11 AL
 HZ1AB 14002 1723 13 FL
 HZ1AB 14010 2002 13 MA
 IJ7ET 14006 2151 11 FL
 IS0MFN 14019 2117 9 FL
 J88AQ 14195 1208 13 OH
 KC6HA 14220 0700 16 MA
 (E CAROLINES)
 KHOAC 14220 0700 16 MA
 KH3/NH6D 14026 0304 18 MA
 KX6BE 14210 0425 8 CO
 LJ2C 14030 0050 16 FL
 OD5PA 14190 0105 11 MA
 OD5PA 14191 0141 11 MD
 OD5YU 14182 2302 7 VA
 OH0/OH2BMC 14024 1430 11 OR
 OH0BH 14028 1138 14 GA

OX3LK 14024 0109 16 FL
 P29JS 14220 0718 16 MA
 PZ1DT 14003 2230 9 FL
 PZ1DV 14019 2111 10 FL
 S92LB 14182 2145 15 MA
 S92LB 14185 2331 10 MD
 SV5/SM5CMH 14058 1157 15 GA
 T31AT 14031 0430 8 CO
 T31AT 14031 0401 8 MN
 TA1A 14025 2117 10 FL
 TG9VT 14227 2303 8 TX
 TI0RC 14012 2157 10 FL
 TI4BGA 14034 2244 12 FL
 TK/HB9TL 14196 2200 13 AL
 TK5UC 14011 2124 9 FL
 TK5UC 14209 0457 11 OR
 TK5VN 14026 0525 11 OR
 TR8DR 14191 2157 13 AL
 TR8DR 14191 2140 13 CO
 TR8DR 14218 2243 14 MA
 TR8ET 14204 0240 10 TX
 TU2JD 14184 2215 7 CO
 TU4BR 14237 2251 13 MA
 UA1OT 14227 1830 10 OR
 (F.J.L.)
 UF6FFF 14013 0400 13 AL
 UH8EWW 14039 1233 16 GA
 UL7BW 14009 0115 11 CO
 UL7BW 14020 0101 15 FL
 UL7BW 14020 0052 15 NH
 UM8MK 14020 0153 8 MI
 UM8MK 14026 0127 10 MI

UM8MM 14203 2009 14 MA
 UZ2FWC 14003 2153 9 FL
 VE8RCS 14193 1242 14 NH
 VK75A 14186 0635 15 MA
 VK9NL 14220 0700 16 MA
 VP2MDY 14009 2200 9 FL
 VP2VCW 14023 0032 12 FL
 VP2VCW 14017 2052 13 AL
 VR6JR 14206 0430 8 MA
 VR6JR 14219 0515 9 OR
 VR6JR 14217 0320 9 CO
 VR6JR 14255 0300 7 MA
 VU2CK 14185 0220 8 TX
 VU2CK 14185 0227 8 MI
 VU2JDQ 14010 0128 8 MI
 VU2MAC 14196 0156 16 MA
 VU2UGI 14187 0148 8 MN
 YB8AY 14239 0620 11 OR
 YN1CC 14030 0030 7 CO
 ZF2AA 14033 2244 12 FL
 ZK1AA 14080 0500 5 MA
 ZK1CG 14310 0358 9 MN
 ZK1RE 14309 0321 8 MN
 ZK1RE 14333 0309 10 MN
 ZK1WL 14179 0540 11 OR
 (NO. COOKS)
 ZP5XGG 14020 0045 13 FL

MORE ON CW DXCC SINCE 1975

• K3FN, who surveyed fellow members of the CW Honor Roll last year, read our rundown last week on one DXer's progression on CW. Jim has supplied a list of some of the countries which have been active on CW since Jan 1, 1975, but which are currently silent. These are Jim's recollections and are not guaranteed 100%!

VU7AN/Andamans was apparently on briefly in very early 1975.

XV5AC was available until shortly before the fall of Saigon in May, 1975.

K5CO/5A was the last operation from Libya, in Sept 1977.

4W9GR was possibly the last operation from N. Yemen, in Feb 1976.

Numerous 5U7 stations were on in the first couple of years of CW DXCC ('75 and '76).

C9MEY was active in 1976, perhaps others as well.

SMOAGD/S2 was worked in Sept 1977. A few people were able to coax a CW contact out of S2BTF during his operations in 1979 and early 1980 (his later operation was undocumented and did not count).

SMOAGD/XW8 made a few contacts in the "early 80's."

Both VP8SU and VP8AEN were on from S. Georgia around 1980.

Finally, the 3Y1VC 1,000-QSO operation in Jan 1979 was mostly on CW (and very difficult to work - ed).

CALENDAR

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CLIPPERTON F00XX QSLs rumored delayed until August

SHUTTLE W0DRE/Space delayed to July 28

COMOROS D68JF reported 21.210/1700Z in Eu

NEW HEBRIDES YJ0ASN by ZL2BOF now

JOHNSTON NH6D/KH3 on now;

By W6DMJ and K8CRM starts Jul 22

KERGUELEN FT8XB likes 20 SSB 0400-0600

CRETE Rumored DL4BBO/SV9 Jul 21-Aug 3

MONTSEERRAT VP2MR By W6-types Jul 29-Aug 5

SAO TOME S92LB on 20 SSB only; I293, 294

NORTH COOKS ZK1WL by ZL3AFH another week or so

CHINA Active stations run-down I294

WILLIS VK9ZB on P29JS 14.220 net at 0700Z

MIDWAY By WH60 now; also Kure occasionally;
need reports

CHAD KA4JRY/TT returns end of July; I291

WALLIS FW8AF LEAVES SOON; I291

TAHITI F00FB by WB6GFJ ends Jul 30; then ZK1

W CAROLINES By KC6JC starts Jul 30; I293

PITCAIRN VR6JR on through Sept, mostly 20

CENT KIRIBATI T31AT could run to end of July

WAKE AH9AC on now

COOKS ZK1XK by WB2CVL Jul 21-27

ST BRANDON Rumors of an operation by 3B8CD

TAHITI F00RWP Jul 28-AUG 2;

ANNOBON Attempted coup scuttled any operation

CONVENTION NW DX, Vancouver, Jul 26-29; I291

MALDIVES OH8MA/8Q7 SSB Aug 2-12

TRINIDADE By PY1SL rumored soon

CONTEST WAE CW Aug 10/11

CONTEST A11 Asia CW Aug 24/25

MADEIRA DJ2BW/CT3 Sept 1-15

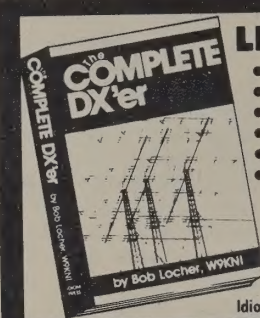
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N4KG	144	261	286	313	301	291	1596
OH1XX	127	267	270	305	297	274	1540
G3GIQ	63	194	247	312	312	294	1422
OH3YI		254	257	313	305	279	1408
W3AP	107	182	229	314	278	243	1353
OH2BU		222	258	311	295	266	1352
G4DYO	56	161	212	306	300	282	1317
W1JR	126	188	215	284	156	243	1312
W1AX	83	174	232	309	255	227	1280
GM3YOR/CW	61	105	147	198	189	175	875

INCLUDING DELETED COUNTRIES

W9ZR	157	277	295	327	320	296	1672
N4KG	144	267	295	328	314	297	1645
G3KMA	95	222	301	331	332	317	1598
K2FL	58	245	290	342	317	311	1563
G3MCS	48	202	253	320	322	306	1452
W1WAI	120	177	233	276	211	169	1180
W9DH		64	184	332	306	263	1149
W4BAA	82	137	160	340	196	184	1100
W9DH/CW		58	180	295	280	216	1029
W9DH/F		18	54	279	286	248	885



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